



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

VALVE SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR UNHEADING A COKE DRUM

Art Unit
1764
Dorashenk

PETITION GRANTED

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d)

Mail Stop Petition
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants respectfully request that examination of the above-referenced patent application be advanced out of turn and that prosecution be performed in an expedited manner. Applicants believe all claims are directed to a single invention and will make an election without traverse if the Office determines that all claims are not obviously directed to a single invention. Applicants submit this written Petition to Make Special in conformance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d), along with the appropriate fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h).

Applicants have caused to be made a careful and thorough pre-examination search of the prior art. This search was performed by a professional search firm under the direction of Noreen

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